♣もくじ♣

♡悪魔で候②……(3)

♡ショートストーリー「七月」……(181)

《いままでのお話》

茅乃は17歳。大好きな上条くんに、ラブレターでの大告白!!　のはずが、何と間違えて1年下の超問題児・猛に渡してしまったからさあ大変!!　彼に拾われた手紙をネタに下僕扱いされた上、それを黒板に貼られてしまう。しかも田舎の両親の再婚相手が何と猛の父親!?　でも、上条くんとは何だかいい雰囲気に♡…と思ったのも束の間、猛が上条くん率いるバスケ部に乱入!?　ところが、実は彼はバスケが得意で人望もある存在だと知る。そんなある日、手紙事件の真犯人が猛ではないと知り、あやまる茅乃に猛がキスをしたところを上条くんに見られて!!　でも、茅乃の心は少しずつ猛に傾いていき、とうとう好きだった上条くんに〝猛が好き〟と告げるほどに――。

♥くわしい物語は、
「悪魔で候」④
（大好評発売中）でどうぞ!!

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悪魔で候
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悪魔で候

THERE IS NOTHING BETTER
THAN SPENDING TIME WITH THE ONE YOU LOVE...
CHEERS!
TO YOUR BEAUTIFUL EYES
OH, MAMORU

DAUGHTER
SON
THIS IS A COUPLE THAT EVEN GOD WOULD FEAR
HOW OLD ARE YOU, GRAMPS? WHAT WERE YOU THINKING?
OH NO KAYANO YOU'VE MADE A MESS
I'LL DIE FROM YOUR SWEET MESS!
TAKERU, DON'T TELL ME THAT YOU'RE JEALOUS?
DON'T WORRY I STILL LOVE YOU VERY MUCH!
TO THE LOOK ON YOUR FACE!
WHAT TO I DO? THIS IS EVEN WORST THAN I THOUGHT
SLURP SLURP

BESIDES THAT...
YOU TWO APPEAR TO HAVE GOTTEN UNBELIEVABLY CLOSE... I'M SO HAPPY
YOU GUYS ACT LIKE REAL SIBLINGS
ぬお
NEVER THOUGHT THAT HE STILL DEPENDS ON ME SO MUCH
AWW THIS OLD MAN
WAH! TAKERU, CALM DOWN!
ギック
EH!?
THE TWO OF YOU ARE AT THE STAGE OF PUBERTY. RIGHT?
WITH US SUDDENLY MARRYING AND MAKING YOU BECOME SIBLINGS...
I ALWAYS WORRY THAT YOU GUYS WOULD BE ANNOYED WITH ALL THIS...

BETTER THAN EXPECTED
RIGHT?
SIS?
EH!?
WE ARE STILL ANNOYED, MOM!
DON'T WORRY, SUU!!
WE'LL TAKE CARE OF EACH OTHER
UNDER THESE CIRCUMSTANCES
WHAT DOES HE THINK HE'S DOING!?
WH—
HAHAHA—
HAHA!
REALLY SCARY!

THERE IS NO WAY THAT WE'LL BECOME A REGULAR HAPPY FAMILY
JUST NO WAY!
THIS TYPE OF RELATION-SHIP
IS A SIN RIGHT?
WHAT TO DO?
TAKERU LOOKS SO HANDSOME...
ドキン
AH, GOD,
WHAT SMOOTH SKIN...
BUT HE'S A GUY
ドキン
HM?

HARU AND...
KAMIJOU!?
AH, KAYANO, MORNING!
CLICK
WHAT ARE YOU TALKING ABOUT?
WHACK
ISN'T THAT...
IT HURTS!
HARUKAWA!
DON'T YOU KNOW YOUR OWN STRENGTH?
BECAUSE THAT IS A SIGN OF LOVE
YEAH
GOOD MORNING
GOOD
EH?
WHY?
WHAT'S WITH YOU BEING SO DEPRESSED THIS MORNING?
NO ANSWERING!
GUYS SHOULDN'T HOLD GRUDGES OVER THINGS THAT ARE ALREADY IN THE PAST!
WAH!

EH——!?
NO WAY——
2年7組
TIGER
EVEN THOUGH I'M ONLY SURPRISED
SO I JUST CAN'T LEAVE HIM ALONE
I'M STARTING TO LIKE GUYS LIKE HIM.
OH, I THINK THAT
DON'T TELL ME THAT YOU STILL HELPED ME EVEN THOUGH YOU LIKE HIM?
BEFORE I JUST THINK OF HIM AS A NICE GUY
AH GEEZ,
I ONLY STARTED LIKING HIM RECENTLY
SO, THERE IS NOTHING TO FEEL GUILTY ABOUT,
JUST FACE YOUR OWN FEELINGS TRUTHFULLY

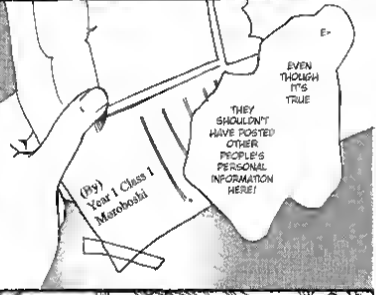
WHAT IF YOU DO BECOME SIBLINGS?
YOU GUYS ARE NOT BLOOD RELATED I'LL ALWAYS BE STANDING ON YOUR SIDE
HARU
HARU! MY FRIEND!
I'M SO THANK-FUL TO YOU
DON'T PRAY TO ME LIKE I AM A GOD!
ARE YOU GOING SCOUT OR HOW?
GEEZ
ANYWAY, ABOUT KAMIJOU, I'M TAKING HIM
PLEASE DON'T DO THIS AGAIN
HARUKAWA!?
STILL STUPID!
HA! You're pretty pissed
KAMIJOU!
I LOVE YOU!
WAH! HARU.

HA HA HA HA
WHAT ARE YOU DOING?
THAT MUST BE SO EMBARRASSING
WHAT??
アハハ
THANK YOU, HARU

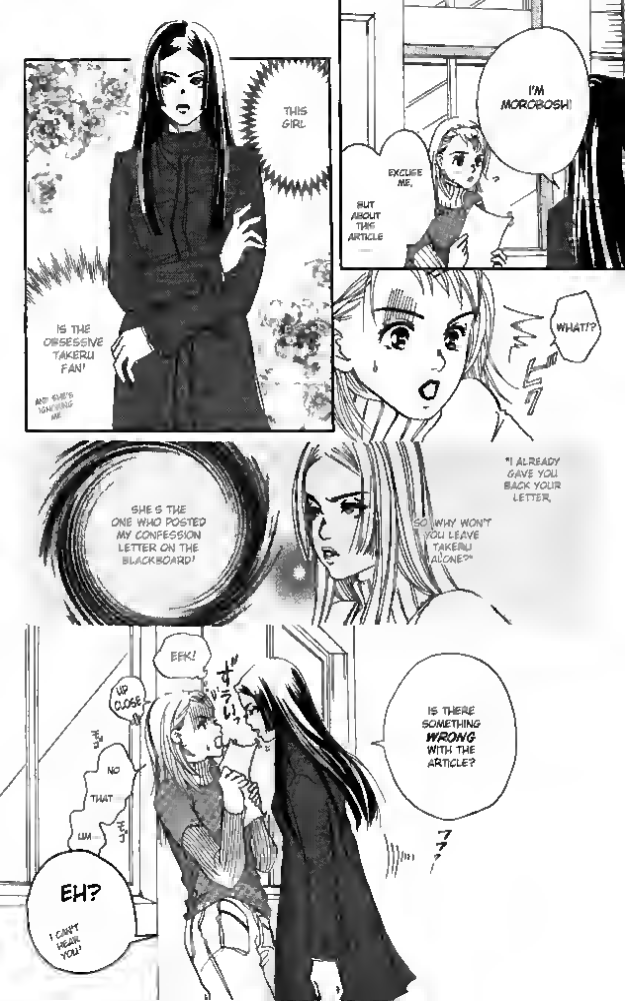
WHY ARE SO MANY PEOPLE GATHERED THERE?
DIDN'T THEY COME TO SCHOOL TOGETHER BEFORE?
NO WAY
EH?
ISN'T THAT THE BULLETIN BOARD?
EH?
EH?
IT LOOKS LIKE THERE'S SOMETHING UP THERE...
News Flash
Special Report
The principal remarried, Edogawa has a new sister!
The Prince of Charming, Edogawa Takeru (Year 1 Class 8)
(Year 2 Class 7) Natsui Kayano
We are siblings!
Nice to meet you!
EH!?

WHAT IS GOING ON!?
ドヒュン
びたん!!
WHY IS "MY" PICTURE UP THERE!?
WHAT'S WITH THIS DIALOGUE?
NO WONDER HE'S THE PRINCE OF CHARMING. HE'S A BIG CELEBRITY HERE
IT SAID "NICE TO MEET YOU!!"
THEY EVEN HAVE A PICTURE OF MY MOM!
THEY TOOK IT WITHOUT OUR PERMISSION.

I'M GOING TO COMPLAIN!
ドヒュン
SINCE WHEN DID YOU TAKE THE INITIATIVE?


EVEN THOUGH IT'S TRUE
THEY SHOULDN'T HAVE POSTED OTHER PEOPLE'S PERSONAL INFORMATION HERE!
(Fly) Year 1 Class 1 Matoboshi

BUT I THINK THAT IT'S A WORRISOME PROBLEM!
EVEN THOUGH WHAT IT SAID WAS TRUE
1年1組


I'M MOROBOSHI
EXCUSE ME, BUT ABOUT THIS ARTICLE...
THIS GIRL
IS THE OBSESSIVE TAKERU FAN!
AND SHE'S WATCHING ME
WHAT!?
"I ALREADY GAVE YOU BACK YOUR LETTER, SO WHY WON'T YOU LEAVE TAKERU ALONE?"
SHE'S THE ONE WHO POSTED MY CONFESSION LETTER ON THE BLACKBOARD!
EEK!
UP CLOSE
NO THAT UM...
EH?
I CAN'T HEAR YOU!
IS THERE SOMETHING WRONG WITH THE ARTICLE?

EH!?
BECAUSE THERE IS A NEED FOR ME TO DO IT!
WHY IS SHE COMING SO CLOSE?
あわわわ
BUT
THAT'S REALLY OUR FAMILY'S PERSONAL BUSINESS
SO I DON'T THINK THAT YOU SHOULD POST IT UP AS NEWS
I WON'T ALLOW...
YOU AND TAKERU-SAMA TO START A RELATIONSHIP!
ドキン
!
I JUST WANT EVERONE TO KNOW THIS
INCLUDING THE PUBLIC TAKERU-SAMA.
ビリ
AND EVEN YOU!
NO WAY! THIS PERSON SHOULDN'T KNOW
OF MY TRUE FEELINGS!
ビリ

I WOULD NEVER HAVE GUESSED THAT YOU TWO WILL BECOME SIBLINGS
BUT THIS WAY YOU CAN'T DO ANYTHING ABOUT IT
SHE'S SAYING ALL THIS BECAUSE SHE KNOWS WHAT I'M THINKING
RIKA!
TAKERU S CALLING FOR YOU!
おお!!
THEN, I'LL SEE YOU LATER, SIS
EH!?
AH?
TAKERU ?
HEY!
BECAUSE HE'S CALLING FOR ME
WAIT,
WHAT'S HER REALTIONSHIP WITH TAKERU?
EH?

1年8組
IT IS WHAT YOU SEE
WHAT IS ALL THIS ABOUT?
TAKERU-SAMA, DON'T YOU KNOW THAT YOU'RE VERY POPULAR?
I'M ASKING YOU ABOUT YOUR REASON!
EH? SHE IS ACTUALLY TALKING EQUALLY WITH TAKERU
AH WHAT ARE YOU DOING KUSANO?

IF THIS CONTINUES, AND IF YOUR FANS ARE UNINFORMED
THEN THEY'LL JUST BULLY HER AROUND, WON'T THEY?
THIS IS ALSO FOR YOUR SISTER'S OWN GOOD
LI- LIAR!
HEY! HEY!
THAT'S YOU!
KAYANO WHY ARE YOU LYING?
.....
TAKERU-SAMA, CAN I BE OF HELP IN ANYTHING ELSE?
NO
DIDN'T I TELL YOU NOT TO CALL ME THAT?
ENOUGH GET OUT OF MY SIGHT!!
WHAT?
HEY, WHAT'S THE RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN THOSE TWO?
WHY ARE YOU WHISPERING KAYANO?

WHAT!? CHILDHOOD FRIENDS!!?
The battle's not decided yet.
Not decided yet.
WAH!
CRAP!
WHY ARE YOU HIDING KAYANO?
RIGHT, TAKERU-CHAN!♡
PLEASE DON'T STICK TO TAKERU-SAMA LIKE THAT!
YOUHEI!
WHAT THREESOME?
KYAHO☆
KAYANO IF YOU ALSO INCLUDE ME
WE ARE THE INSEPARABLE THREESOME SINCE CHILDHOOD
NO WAY!

EVER SINCE MIDDLE SCHOOL, YOU'VE BEEN SO MEAN TO ME!
WAH! YOU'RE SO MEAN, RIKA!
YOU PIG-HEAD!
KAYANO, BUY ME A CUP OF COFFEE
I WANT THE COFFEE CITY BRAND!
YOU'RE SO NOISY
I NEVER THOUGHT THAT THEY ARE ACTUALLY REALLY GOOD FRIENDS
TAKERU!
"I WON'T ALLOW..."
EH?

AH...
I...
I...
I HAVE A STOMACH-ACHE!
I CAN'T IGNORE THIS MATTER
HEY!
DON'T PRETEND THAT YOU DIDN'T HEAR ME!
BUT I'M STILL
EVEN IF YOU ARE SAYING ALL THOSE THINGS,
JESUS! THAT GIRL!
HOW AM I GOING TO TAKE THE INITIATIVE UNDER THESE CIRCUMSTANCES?
EH I'M A FISH IN THE SEA

RIGHT NOW
WHAT SHOULD I DO?
2年7組
KAYANO! YOU STOPPED AGAIN!
HURRY UP AND EAT IT!
FROZEN IN TIME
DAZED
SHE CAN'T GO ON ANY LONGER
DAZED---
AH, AH... LIN
I'M FLYING
"I WOULD NEVER HAVE GUESSED THAT YOU TWO WILL BECOME SIBLINGS
BUT THIS WAY YOU CAN'T DO ANYTHING ABOUT IT..."
THEN WHAT AM I SUPPOSE TO DO?
MY CURRENT SITUATION IS... THAT I CAN'T CONFESS TO THE PERSON THAT I LIKE?
THE ROCK OF NOT ALLOWING THIS RELATIONSHIP TO FURTHER
A DARK FUTURE

I'M SO TIRED
YESTERDAY...
WE HAD A VERY ANNOYING NEW MANAGER, AND NO ONE CAN HANDLE HER!
DOESN'T EVEN DO ANYTHING
MANGER? THE BOY'S BASKETBALL TEAM?
THE THING WITH THE "CHILDHOOD FRIEND" GAVE HER TOO BIG OF AN IMPACT
EVER SINCE THE DAY OF HER HEARING THE "NOT ALLOWED" WORDS
SHE'S BEEN LIKE THIS FOR THE PAST WEEK
KAMIJOU HOW COME YOU'RE LIKE THIS TOO?
GEEZ, WHY IS EVERYONE LIKE THAT TODAY?
DO YOU WANT A MUSH-DOWN?
NO-- NO WAY!
DON'T TELL ME IT'S

TAKERU!
YOU'RE SO CUTE!
EDOGAWA-SAN!
SO COOL!
WHOA, THOSE ARE 3RD YEARS.
THEY HAVE SO MUCH MAKEUP ON
WHA- WHAT'S GOING ON? ALL THIS SCREAMING AND YELLING!
THERE ARE SO MANY PEOPLE ON THE BENCHES

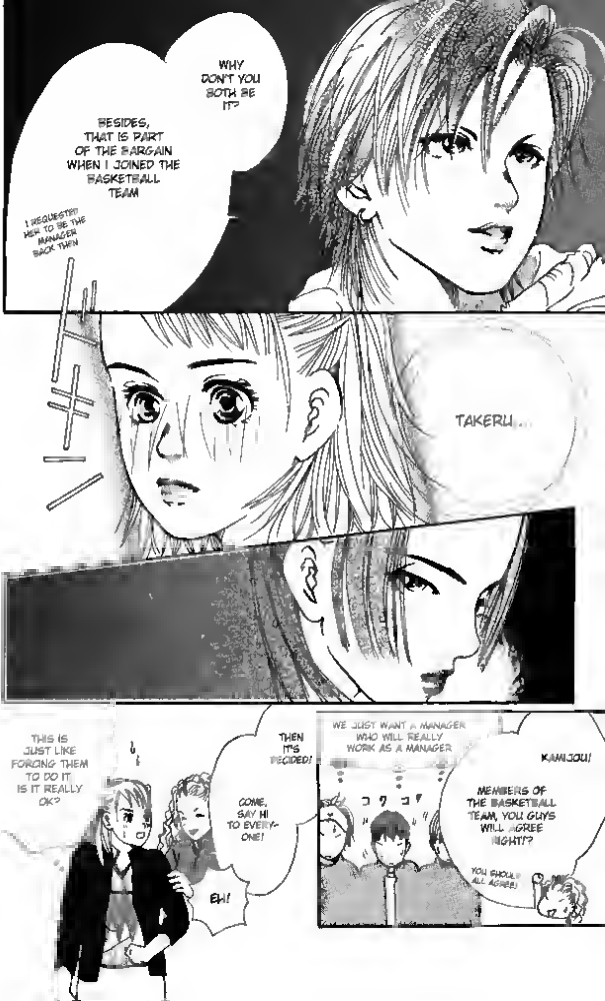
HEY, HEY, HEY!
YOU GUYS HAVE BEEN YELLING SINCE THE START OF THE GAME!
DON'T YOU KNOW THAT IT WILL DISTRACT TAKERU SAMA'S PLAYING?
DON'T MAKE ALL THOSE IDIOTIC NOISES WILL YOU?
EH?
HEY!
HEY!
WHAT THE HELL?
HMPH, DAMN YOU!
SAYING WE'RE KAOYO NOW?
KAYANO!?
WHAT'S WRONG WITH YOU?
WHAT'S WITH THAT MANAGER?
WHO DO YOU THINK YOU ARE?
CAPTAIN, THE MANAGER PICKED A FIGHT WITH SOMEONE AGAIN
HAVING YOU OVER-DRESSED PEOPLE
SHOULD SOMEONE GO AND STOP HER?
ON THE COURT WILL LOWER TAKERU SAMA'S PERFORMANCE
SINCE WHEN HAS OUR CLUB BEEN THE GATHERING PLACE FOR HOOVERS.
WHY? WHY IS IT THIS WAY...
THE DOGS

RIKA, RIKA,
JUST STOP IT ALREADY
AH! IT'S YOU!HE!
SO LOUD!
HEY, HEY!
SHE'S SO RUDE!
EVEN TOWARDS 3RD YEARS
SO SO SCARY
ANYWAY WHY ARE WE HERE?
SHE... SHE IS TAKERU'S CHILDHOOD FRIEND...
WHY ARE YOU HERE?
YOU DON'T EVEN KNOW HOW TO PLAY BASKETBALL!
YOU'RE SO ANNOYING!
LINK!
AH
CAPTAIN!
RIKA HATES ME!
MOVE ASIDE, UGLY!!
WHAT DID YOU SAY?!
IT'S JUST BECAUSE I'M CLOSE TO TAKERU!
HOW AM I SUPPOSE TO KNOW!?
RIKA!
THAT'S ENOUGH

SIGH
THE ALMIGHTY YUKISHU
WHAT?
SO MEAN!
.....
FIGHTING ME OFF!
WHAT'S GOING ON?
WHY DID HE CALL HER BY HER FIRST NAME?
YOU GUYS FIGHT OVER SUCH SMALL THINGS

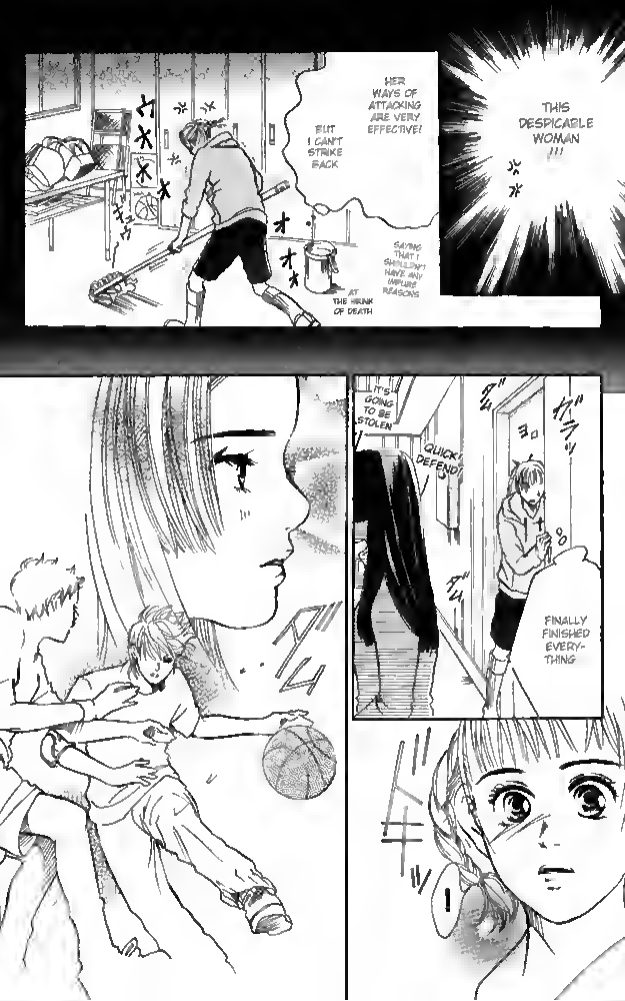
KAYANO!
LET'S GO!
HE PROTECTED HER.
EH?
WAIT WHERE ARE WE GOING!?
JUST FOLLOW ME AND YOU'LL SEE!
TAKERU-SAMA, DO YOU WANT SOME WATER?
NO
AND DON'T CALL ME THAT!
スタスタ
スタ
KAMIJOU-CHAN LET'S PLAY
I'VE HAD ENOUGH.
TAKERU-SAMA
RIKA, YOU'RE SO MEAN!
LOOK OVER
HERE !!!
KAMIJOU-CHAN
LET'S PLAY
JUST DRINK SOME FAUCET WATER!
RIKA, I WANT SOME WATER

KAYANO
BASKETBALL SAITOU MANAGER,
IS REVIVED ONCE AGAIN !!
HEY, HARU, I WAS REALLY IRRESPONSIBLE WHEN I QUIT BEING THE MANAGER LAST TIME
AH, EVERYONE IS LOOKING THIS WAY...
SISTER?
I'M THE MANAGER NOW
KAYANO
ARE YOU SURE YOU WANT TO LET THIS RIKA MONSTER LOOSE ANY LONGER?
TAKERU WILL BE STOLEN FROM YOU.
BUT
I ALREADY RESIGNED!
SAI-
SAITO MANAGER,
IS REVIVED !!


WHY DON'T YOU BOTH BE IT?
BESIDES, THAT IS PART OF THE BARGAIN WHEN I JOINED THE BASKETBALL TEAM
I REQUESTED HER TO BE THE MANAGER BACK THEN
TAKERU...
THIS IS JUST LIKE FORCING THEM TO DO IT. IS IT REALLY OK?
THEN IT'S DECIDED!
COME, SAY HI TO EVERY-ONE!
EH!
WE JUST WANT A MANAGER WHO WILL REALLY WORK AS A MANAGER
コ ワ コ ワ
KAMIJOU!
MEMBERS OF THE BASKETBALL TEAM, YOU GUYS WILL AGREE RIGHT!?
YOU SHOULD ALL AGREE!

FOR SOME REASON,
I FEEL THAT THERE'S A POISONOUS SMELL IN THE AIR
キー
コー
MANAGER, PLEASE GO BUY OUR NECESSITIES
AND ALSO CLEAN UP OUR OFFICE ROOM
90's
ドッ
EH!
I'M KAYANO SAITOU
I WILL TRY MY BEST THIS TIM...
ドヨ
SHE IS ACTUALLY GLARING AT ME FROM SUCH A CLOSE DISTANCE!
あわわ
VERY DEADLY AURA!

I'LL ONLY SERVE TAKERU-SAMA, AND DO NOTHING ELSE
きっぱり
SO DON'T BOTHER ME WITH THOSE INSIGNIFICANT CHORES
WAS TO BE BY TAKERU-SAMA'S SIDE
I'M JUST TELLING YOU IN ADVANCE THAT THE SOLE REASON THAT I BECAME THE MANAGER
WHAT?
くるり
JUST HOPE THAT YOU GUYS CAN DO SOMETHING
WHAT THE HELL!? SHE'S TOO MUCH!
ISN'T THERE ANOTHER MANAGER?
ピク
AGAIN!?
I DON'T THINK SHE HAS ANY IMPURE REASONS TO BECOME THE MANAGER,
UNLIKE ME SO SHE WOULD WORK REALLY HARD
RIGHT SIS? ♡
ピク
HA HA HA
QUIT CALLING ME SIS
THIS


HER WAYS OF ATTACKING ARE VERY EFFECTIVE!
BUT I CAN'T STRIKE BACK
SAYING THAT I SHOULDN'T HAVE ANY IMPURE REASONS
AT THE BRINK OF DEATH
THIS DESPICABLE WOMAN !!!
IT'S GOING TO BE STOLEN
QUICK! DEFEND!
FINALLY FINISHED EVERY-THING

RIKA
WHAT KIND OF FEELINGS DOES SHE HAVE WHILE WATCHING TAKERU
"THE SOLE REASON THAT I BECAME THE MANAGER
WAS TO BE BY TAKERU-SAMA'S SIDE"
THE DETERMINED VISION
THE SINCERE WORDS
ALWAYS ONLY SETTING HER GAZE ON TAKERU
AH, SHE'S BEEN LIKE THIS FROM A LONG TIME AGO

KAYANO, TOWEL!
I THINK SHE MUST HAVE KNOWN ABOUT THE SIDE OF TAKERU THAT I DON'T KNOW
DEATH !!
EVEN IF SHE WON'T ALLOW OUR RELATIONSHIP
EVEN IF THIS IS A SIN
IF FACE YOUR OWN FEELINGS TRUTHFULLY

HERB! TAKERU!
I
I WON'T LOSE TO THE FEELINGS THAT RIKA HAS FOR TAKERU
WHAT'S GOING ON? — SO OBEDIENT
BECAUSE I ALSO LIKE TAKERU

CAN I TALK TO YOU FOR A MOMENT?
O-OK
WHY DON'T WE GO EAT MAC BURGERS BEFORE WE GO HOME?
I'M STARVING
GOOD WORK
SHE IS FINALLY HERE...
I KNOW WHAT YOU ARE GOING TO SAY...
BUT MY FEELINGS TOWARDS TAKERU WON'T CHANGE
JUST BECAUSE OF YOU
DO YOU UNDERSTAND YOUR STATUS HERE,
BIS

EVEN IF YOU CHANGE YOUR FEELINGS TOWARDS TAKERU, IT'S ALL THE SAME
DIDN'T I SAY IT BEFORE? YOU'RE JUST A TOY TO HIM
HE WILL NEVER LIKE A GIRL LIKE YOU
YOU'RE SO FUNNY!
WHAT'S SO FUNNY!?

DON'T YOU KNOW?
TAKERU-SAMA HAS ALWAYS BEEN ON MY SIDE
SO, IN THE END, HE WILL CHOOSE ME
トクン
ドクン
YOU
WHY ARE YOU SAYING THIS?
WHAT IS SHE...
SAYING...?
HOW SCARY WHAT ARE YOU TALKING ABOUT?
HE NEVER EVEN WANTED TO LOOK AT YOU IN THE FIRST PLACE
THAT GIRL WITH THE LONG HAIR... COME OVER HERE FOR A SEC
IT'S THE "3RD" YEARS FROM BEFORE!

WAH!
SHUT UP!
WE HAVE SOME BUSINESS WITH THIS WOMAN!
HEY, WHAT ARE YOU GUYS DOING!?
JUST COME OVER HERE
WHAT THE--!
WHAT
WHAT'S GOING ON!?
ONLY A 1ST YEAR AND ALREADY SO ARROGANT!
WAHH
I TOLD YOU TO COME OVER HERE
IT HURTS LET ME GO!
DAMN

I HAVE TO FIND SOMEONE!
I HAVE
IS
ANYONE
THERE!?
NO WAY!
EVERYONE WENT HOME!?
IS ANYONE THERE!?
SENSEI!?
WHAT'S WRONG,
KAYANO. WHY ARE YOU YELLING?
TAKERU!
RIKA WAS TAKEN AWAY BY THE 3RD YEARS!

GO! IN QUICK!
I DON'T REGRET WHO YOU ARE!
SHE IS PISSING ME OFF!
WHAT ARE YOU GUYS DOING!?
STOP IT!
CRAP
RIKA!

I TOLD YOU GUYS TO STOP IT!
AHAHA!
IF YOU GUYS TRY THIS AGAIN, I'LL KILL YOU!
WHAT?
SHE HAS BACKUP ALREADY!?
GRAP LET'S GO!
"DON'T YOU KNOW?"
RIKA, ARE YOU OK?
CAN YOU STAND?

"TAKERU-SAMA HAS ALWAYS BEEN ON MY SIDE,
SO IN THE END, HE WILL CHOOSE ME"
TAKERU-SAMA,
YOU FINALLY CAME TO RESCUE ME—

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TAKERU-SAMA,
YOU CAME TO SAVE ME AFTER ALL
WHAT IS GOING ON!?

I...
ARE YOU STUPID?
THAT'S WHAT YOU GET FOR ALWAYS OFFENDING PEOPLE
WITH YOUR ATTITUDE
I WAS SO SCARED ...
IF YOU UNDERSTAND, THEN DON'T DO IT THE NEXT TIME!

TAKERU...
THIS IS THE FIRST TIME I HAVE SEEN HIM SO ANGRY
ドクッ
"IF YOU GUYS TRY THIS AGAIN I'LL KILL YOU!"
THEN I'LL LEAVE EVERY-THING TO YOU
I'M JUST GOING TO GET HER TO THE INFIRMARY FIRST
UHN UHN
RIKA, ARE YOU OK?
YOU TWISTED YOUR ANKLE LET'S GO TO THE NURSE'S OFFICE
TO TAKERU,
ドクン
ドクン
HIS EXPRESSION JUST NOW, IS VERY SCARY AS WELL...
THE EXISTENCE OF RIKA IS

TAKERU!
SHE'S GONNA BE ALRIGHT,
SO GO BACK FIRST
AH
ドクン
ドクン
ズキ

IT JUST FEELS LIKE
HE HAS CHANGED INTO A DIFFERENT PERSON
TAKERU...

Infirmary
THANK GOD IT'S NOT THAT BAD
JUST PUT SOME ICE PACK ON IT, BANDAGE IT AND YOU'RE GOOD TO GO
YOU ALWAYS BECOME MORE GENTLE
WHEN FACING AN INJURED PERSON
SILENCE
YOU CAN DO THE BANDAGING ON YOUR OWN
WHERE IN THE WORLD ARE THE BANDAGES ?
BY THE WAY, WHY ISN'T THERE ANYONE HERE?

THIS TAKES ME BACK TO OUR MIDDLE SCHOOL DAYS
I ALWAYS MADE YOU WORRY, DO YOU STILL REMEMBER?
BACK IN THOSE DAYS,
TO TAKERU-SAMA, THEY WERE YOUR MOST DIFFICULT TIMES, RIGHT?
FIGHTING BECAME A HOBBY, AND YOU SAW EVERYONE AS YOUR ENEMY
TAKERU 14 YRS OLD
BUT STILL...

YOU KEPT HELPING ME
RIKA...
WAS ALWAYS BULLIED BY OTHER PEOPLE BACK THEN
Boys Basketball Lounge
LIAR!
SHE BEING BULLIED !?
YEAH
DURING MIDDLE SCHOOL SHE'S ALWAYS BEING BULLIED BY THE GIRLS IN HER CLASS...
EH ...?

SO, SHE'S ALWAYS OFFENDING THE PEOPLE AROUND HER
BECAUSE SHE WAS NEVER GOOD AT SOCIALIZING WITH OTHER PEOPLE...
AND ALSO WITH THAT HIGH SELF-ESTEEM
GOD...
BEING GANG UP BY OTHER PEOPLE IS A VERY COMMON THING
JUST LIKE WHAT HAPPENED EARLIER
AT TIMES LIKE THESE...
TAKERU WOULD RISK EVERYTHING JUST TO PROTECT HER

SO TO RIKA, TAKERU IS JUST LIKE A PRINCE
I CAN UNDERSTAND RIKA'S FEELINGS
BECAUSE EVEN A GUY LIKE ME, ALSO LIKE TAKERU VERY MUCH
.....
SOME-TIMES I EVEN THINK,
IF ONLY I COULD BECOME A GUY AS STRONG AS HIM
UHN
BUT, IF RIKA IS HAPPY, THEN I'M ALSO HAPPY!
.....
YOUHE!
DON'T TELL ME THAT YOU TOWARDS RIKA!

WELL, I HAVE TO GO
I HAVE TO BRING THEIR BACKPACKS OVER TO THEM
BYE BYE, KAYANO
AH—
UHN, BYE BYE
BEARING AN UNDELIVERABLE FEELING
WISHING FOR RIKA'S HAPPINESS...
YOUHEI...

COMPARED TO YOUHEI'S FEELINGS,
RIKA'S LOVE FOR TAKERU IS MUCH STRONGER
LIKE THAT GAZE,
SHOWING HER FEELINGS CLEARLY...
WOULD TAKERU ACCEPT HER FEELINGS?

MOM IS NOT BACK YET...
IS SHE WORKING LATE TODAY?
12
9
6
ARE YOU COOKING UDON NOODLES?
I WONDER WHAT HAPPENED AFTERWARDS.....
DID HE TAKE RIKA HOME...?
AH, DIDN'T ADD ENOUGH SOY SAUCE
JUST DON'T PUT ANY ONIONS IN THERE
BECAUSE I HATE ONIONS
AH?

WAH!!
W-
WHY
ARE YOU HERE!?
ONION!?
BIG REACTION TO THE EVIL MONSTER
DID YOU ACTUALLY MISSED ROOMS?
DAD IS AWAY WORKING AGAIN
THAT'S WHY I'M HERE FOR DINNER
YOU DIDN'T LOCK THE FRONT DOOR
AT LEAST RING THE DOOR BELL BEFORE YOU COME IN!!
AH?
BUT
MY MOM'S NOT HOME YET!
EH
THEN JUST BREW ME A CUP OF COFFEE FIRST
I'M GOING TO WATCH SOME TV
THIS IS NOT YOUR HOME YOU KNOW!
YET!

WHY DOES HE ACT LIKE NOTHING HAS HAPPENED!?
HE DIDN'T EVEN NOTICE WHAT I'M FEELING
ANYWAY DOES HE THINK THAT I'M SOME SORT OF A SERVING MAID?
SORRY FOR THE WAIT
ISN'T HE GETTING A LITTLE TOO COMFORT-ABLE!?
AH
HERE!
UHH

AH...
JUST SOME SCRATCHES AND A TWISTED ANKLE
NOTHING MUCH

HOW WAS... RIKA?
ドキン
TAKERU...
ドキン

IS IT TRUE...
THAT RIKA WAS ALWAYS BULLIED BACK THEN?

YOUHEI TOLD YOU THAT?... HE REALLY SHOULD LEARN TO KEEP HIS MOUTH CLOSE...
HE SAID...
THAT YOU'RE ALWAYS RISKING EVERYTHING JUST TO PROTECT RIKA...

EVERY TIME I LOOK AT RIKU, I WOULD GET FRUSTRATED
BECAUSE SHE WOULD ALWAYS BOAST AND KEEP HER DISTANCE FROM EVERYONE ELSE,
NEVER THINKING OF ACCEPTING ANYONE
I'VE ALWAYS FELT THAT...
ドキン
NEVER THOUGHT THAT TAKERU WAS LIKE THIS BEFORE!
LOOKING AT HER, I CAN SEE MYSELF FROM A LONG TIME AGO
IT ANNOYS ME

WHAT... ARE YOU JEALOUS, KAYANO?
カアア
WHAT !?
SO... THAT'S WHY YOU CAN'T STOP LOOKING AFTER RIKA, RIGHT?
トクン
REALLY DON'T KNOW ANYTHING...
ABOUT TAKERU...
トクン

JEA-
JEALOUS?
YOU WISH!
EH .....
WHAT !?
I'M THINKING
I'VE GOT TO CLOSELY EXAMINE YOUR EXPRESSION OF JEALOUSY

IDIOT!!
THAT HURTS
THE TRAY IN YOUR HAND IS MADE OUT OF IRON, YOU KNOW
HEY,
WAIT!
HOW DARE YOU HIT ME AND CALL ME AN IDIOT!?
I'M HOME
CAN EVEN HEAR YOU GUYS OUTSIDE THE DOOR
WHAT ARE YOU GUYS YELLING ABOUT?
IS TAKERU OVER? KAYANO!
DIDN'T I TELL YOU TO STOP!?
HEY!

WAH!
I'M NOT EATING DINNER TODAY!!
I DON'T KNOW!
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WHAT'S WRONG WITH THAT KID?
SWAM
CRAP. THE COFFEE IS COLD NOW
HER REBELLIOUS STAGE HAS ARRIVED

WHY AM I SO AGITATED...?
HE ALWAYS HAS ON A CAREFREE EXPRESSION
AS IF HE CAN EASILY SEE THROUGH PEOPLE'S FEELINGS WITH IT
"WHAT... ARE YOU JEALOUS, KAYANO?"
IT'S ALWAYS ME WITH THE UNSETTLING HEART,
BEING PLAYED AROUND BY HIM
STUPID!
THAT IDIOT
THAT PIG-HEAD
EVERY TIME EVERY TIME

EH?
TO PUT IT SIMPLY, YOU'RE JUST NOT SURE—
IF TAKERU REALLY LIKES YOU, RIGHT?
MY UNSETTLED FEELINGS
OH THAT,
IT'S BECAUSE YOU'RE WORRIED
Girl's Washroom

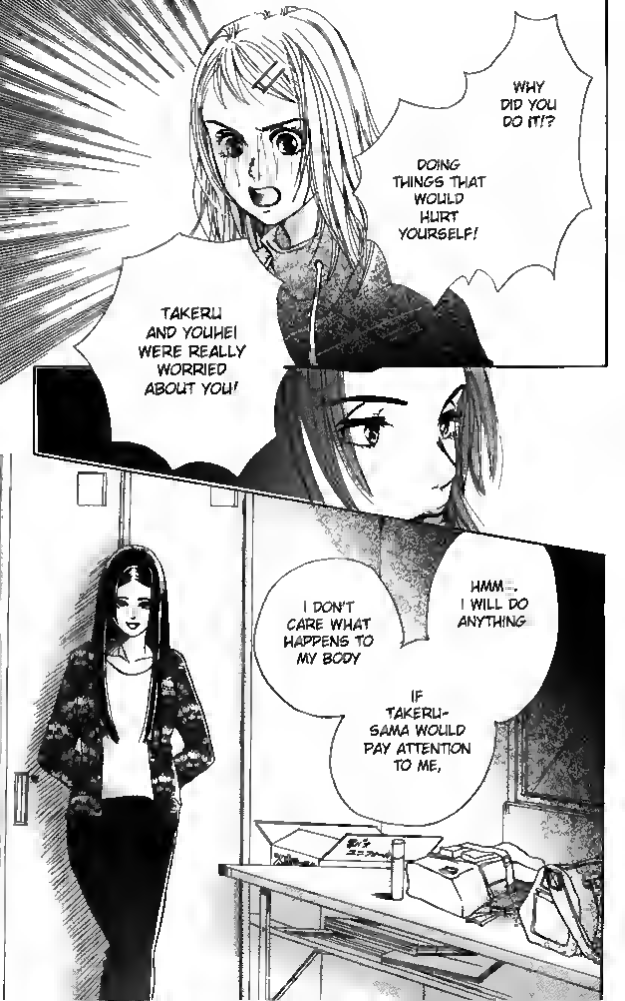
WAH!!
NO, NO! HARU, WE CAN'T!!
スリスリ
IF THAT'S THE CASE THEN WE'LL JUST GO AND ASK HIM!
SINCE I'VE ALREADY FIGURED IT OUT
LET'S TAKE ACTION!!
"DIDN'T I SAY IT BEFORE? YOU'RE JUST A TOY TO HIM.
HE WILL NEVER LIKE A GIRL LIKE YOU"
DON'T
SINCE YOU ALREADY KNOW THE REASON,
WHY DON'T WE SIMPLIFY THINGS A LITTLE BIT MORE?
DON'T YOU THINK THAT THIS IS VERY SCARY!?
HOW CAN THIS BE SIMPLE?
MY MIND, ALWAYS REPEATING RIKA'S WORDS
I DON'T WANT TO BELIEVE IT...
BUT...
JUST LEAVE IT LIKE THIS
IT'S TRUE I'M REALLY AFRAID

AT THAT TIME I COULDN'T ARGUE WITH HER
WHO CARES, SHE WANTED TO GIVE IT TO ME ANYWAY
SO...
HOW MUCH DID YOU GET FROM RIKA?
SO BUCKS ♡
NO WAY!
HEY, LET'S SPEND IT AT THE PUB TODAY!
IT'S THE THIRD YEARS FROM BEFORE
SO YOU REALLY DID ACCEPT HER MONEY?
EH...!?

BUT, DON'T YOU THINK THAT RIKA IS A BIT WEIRD?
NORMAL PEOPLE DON'T DO THAT
SHE ACTUALLY TOLD US TO GO AND BULLY HER
HOW PATH-ETIC
BUT WHO CARES
AS LONG AS I CAN GET MONEY I'LL DO ALMOST ANYTHING
WAH !!
W-
WHAT!?

WHAT WERE YOU GUYS TALKING ABOUT?
EH?
I'M LATE!
THE CAPTAIN WILL YELL AT ME

.....?
!!!
KAYANO AND RIKA?
WHAT DO YOU WANT BY CALLING ME IN HERE?
MY ANKLE STILL HURTS, YOU KNOW
THIS IS ALL A PART OF YOUR SCHEME RIGHT?
WHAT .....
YOU FOUND OUT?


WHY DID YOU DO IT!?
DOING THINGS THAT WOULD HURT YOURSELF!
TAKERU AND YOUHEI WERE REALLY WORRIED ABOUT YOU!
HMM=. I WILL DO ANYTHING
I DON'T CARE WHAT HAPPENS TO MY BODY
IF TAKERU-SAMA WOULD PAY ATTENTION TO ME,

.....
TWEEET!
GATHER AROUND EVERY ONE
OH. WHAT HAPPENED TO THE MANAGERS?
NOW THAT YOU MENTIONED IT THEY'RE NOT HERE
In the middle of doing stretching exercises
AH?
AH JUST AS I THOUGHT,
I SAW KAYANO AND RIKA TOGETHER

JUST NOW,
THEY WENT IN THE LOUNGE TOGETHER
.....
WHY ARE YOU ANGRY?
YOU HAVE NO RIGHTS TO TELL ME ALL THIS, DO YOU?
HOW AWFUL!
IS TAKING ADVANTAGE OF TAKERU'S KINDNESS!
WHAT YOU ARE DOING...
Boys Basketball Lounge
WHAT YOU ARE DOING IS WRONG!

OR ARE YOU JUST JEALOUS OF ME?
BECAUSE YOU KNOW THAT THE ONE TAKERU-SAMA LIKES ISN'T YOU,
THAT'S WHY YOU'RE SCARED
HOW AMUSING.
WHEN TAKERU-SAMA BROUGHT ME TO THE NURSE'S OFFICE,
THAT EXPRESSION ON YOUR FACE..

HOW HUMILIATING, IT MAKES ME WANT TO LAUGH...
YOU DIDN'T KNOW THAT IT WAS ALL AN ACT,
AND RUSHING OFF TO GET TAKERU-SAMA FOR HELP
THEN BEING CAST ASIDE IN THE END,
WITH THE EXPRESSION OF A REJECTED PUPPY

.....
WHAT ARE YOU GUYS DOING?
TAK ERU
I... I DON'T KNOW,
KAYANO SUDDENLY SLAPPED ME...
RIKA, WHAT HAPPENED TO YOU!?

KAYANO, WHAT WERE YOU THINKING!?
WHAT YOU DID IS UNFORGIVABLE! RIKA DIDN'T DO ANYTHING!
KAYANO, IS IT TRUE?
RIKA IS STILL INJURED YOU KNOW
ドキン
NO
THIS IS NOT
ドキン
TAKERU-SAMA,
PLEASE DON'T BE MAD, I'M ALRIGHT
ドクン

TAKERU, IF YOU KEEP HELPING HER,
HER PERSONALITY WILL ONLY GET WORST!
WHY ARE YOU PROTECTING HER---?
THE THINGS THAT SHE DID...

HEY,
ARE YOU FINISHED, KAYANO?
WHAT'S WRONG WITH YOU!? I DON'T EVEN KNOW WHAT YOU ARE THINKING!
IF YOU WANT TO SAY SOMETHING, THEN SAY IT!
WHAT ...
IT'S BECAUSE ... I DON'T KNOW ...
WHAT YOU ARE THINKING
I'VE HAD ENOUGH ...

YOU ARE ALWAYS SO COMPOSED,
ALWAYS TEASING OTHER PEOPLE
SEEING ME SO FLUSTERED, MUST BE AN ENTERTAINMENT FOR YOU RIGHT?
I'M NOT
YOUR TOY...!
MY MIND
IS IN A MESS
I HAVE DECIDED,
I WILL NOT LET YOU AFFECT ME ANY LONGER!

A DECISION WITHOUT A SOLUTION
...FINE.
THEN YOU HAVE NOTHING TO WORRY ABOUT, BECAUSE I WON'T BOTHER YOU ANYMORE

KAYANO!

I'LL ALWAYS BE BY YOUR SIDE...
TAK-KUN...
.....
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THE RAIN DROPS ARE BRUISING MY SKIN
I'M REALLY
STUPID
I WAS NEEDED
I'VE ALWAYS THOUGHT THAT

PROBABLY THAT'S JUST WHAT I WANTED TO BELIEVE
I DON'T KNOW ANYMORE
IS IT BECAUSE I FELL IN LOVE WITH TAKERU ?

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"... FINE THEN YOU HAVE NOTHING TO WORRY ABOUT. BECAUSE I WON'T BOTHER YOU ANYMORE"
JUST LIKE WHAT ERIKA SAID
TAKERU DOESN'T LIKE ME AT ALL
I FEEL SO STUPID

LIKING A PERSON,
IS VERY TIRING ..
I DON'T WANT ANYTHING ELSE EXCEPT YOU!
I WILL ALWAYS STAY BY YOUR SIDE,
TAK-KUN
I WILL DO ANYTHING FOR YOU

STOP IT RIKA,
IF YOU CONTINUE TO BE LIKE THIS
THEN YOU'RE NOT GOING TO GET ANYWHERE
NOTHING ELSE...

IF YOU WANT
ANYTHING MORE THAN FRIENDSHIP FROM ME,
THEN I CAN'T HELP YOU
I CAN DO ANYTHING FOR YOU—
I—
CAN'T I JUST LIKE YOU?
THAT'S IT— THERE IS NOTHING ELSE
REALLY——
I LIKE YOU SO MUCH ..
BUT, I DON'T WANT ANYTHING FROM YOU

...I SEE...
THEN, WHAT DO YOU WANT?
ABOUT HER...
WHAT DO YOU THINK KAYANO CAN DO FOR YOU?

WHAT?
SAITOU,
WHAT ARE YOU DOING HERE?
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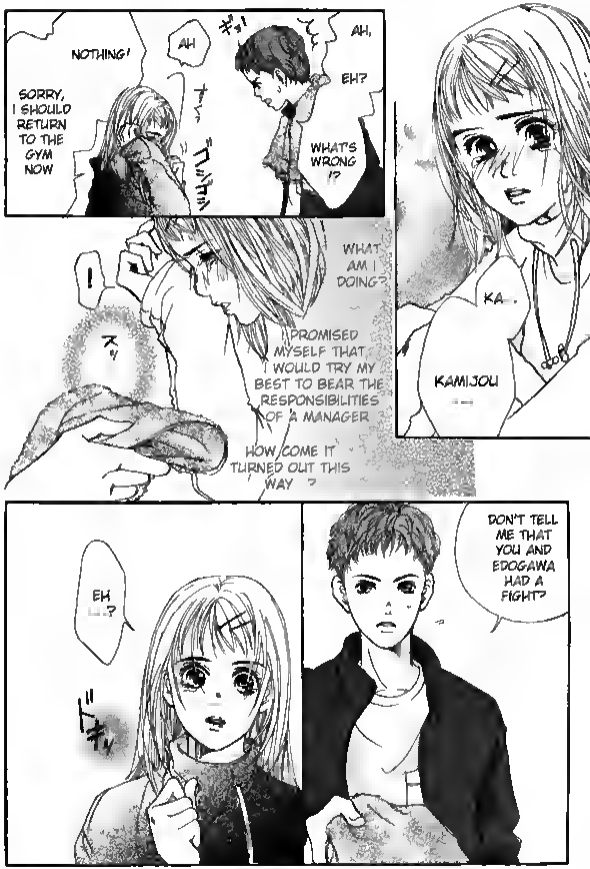
NOTHING!
AH
AH,
EH?
SORRY, I SHOULD RETURN TO THE GYM NOW
WHAT'S WRONG !?
KA..
KAMIJOU
WHAT AM I DOING?
I PROMISED MYSELF THAT I WOULD TRY MY BEST TO BEAR THE RESPONSIBILITIES OF A MANAGER
HOW COME IT TURNED OUT THIS WAY ?
DON'T TELL ME THAT YOU AND EDOGAWA HAD A FIGHT?
EH ..?

IT'S NOTHING. IT'S JUST THAT
HARUKAWA SAID YOU WERE ACTING WEIRD THIS MORNING
HARU
SHE THINKS THAT IT'S HER FAULT
FOR PUSHING YOU INTO BEING THE MANAGER AGAIN
WELL, IT'S NOT ANY OF MY BUSINESS
BUT... I'M KIND OF WORRIED ABOUT YOU
AS FRIENDS
WHY?
HERE
ALL THOSE CRUEL THINGS
THAT I HAVE DONE TO YOU
.....
SORRY, KAMIJOU, I LIKE TAKERU!!"

WHY ARE YOU BEING SO NICE TO ME?
THANK YOU
I'M SORRY
WHY AM I ALWAYS BRINGING TROUBLE TO MY FRIENDS?
SORRY, I'M FINE NOW
ARE YOU REGRETTING FALLING FOR
THAT KIND OF A GUY?
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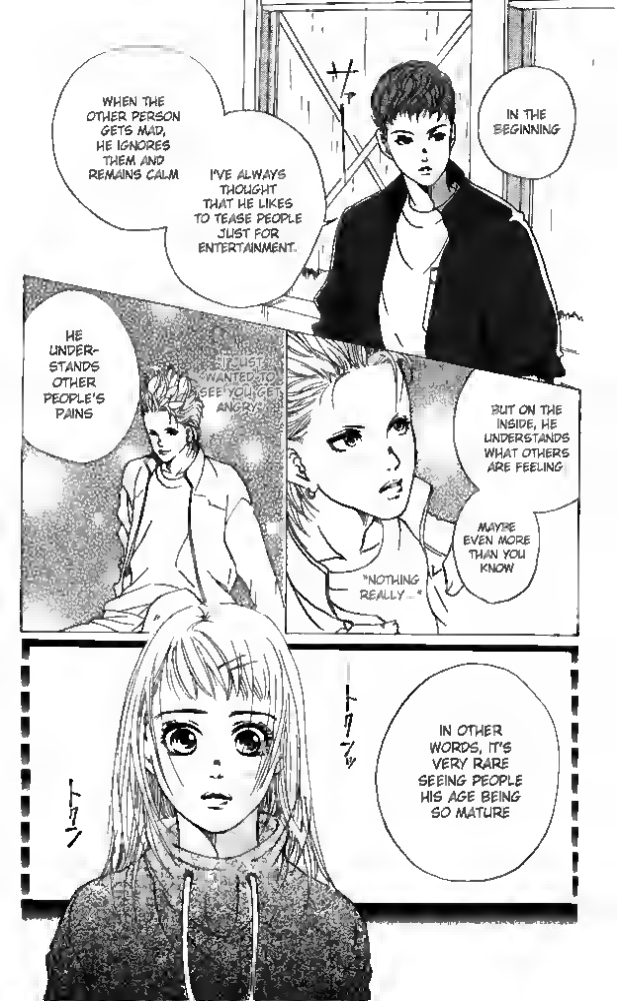
EH?
HA HA
AREN'T I MEAN?
BUT,
I CAN UNDERSTAND WHY YOU PICKED HIM


IN THE BEGINNING
I'VE ALWAYS THOUGHT THAT HE LIKES TO TEASE PEOPLE JUST FOR ENTERTAINMENT.
WHEN THE OTHER PERSON GETS MAD, HE IGNORES THEM AND REMAINS CALM
BUT ON THE INSIDE, HE UNDERSTANDS WHAT OTHERS ARE FEELING
MAYBE EVEN MORE THAN YOU KNOW
"NOTHING REALLY..."
I JUST WANTED TO SEE YOU GET ANGRY.
HE UNDER-STANDS OTHER PEOPLE'S PAINS
トクン
IN OTHER WORDS, IT'S VERY RARE SEEING PEOPLE HIS AGE BEING SO MATURE
トクン

FROM THIS YOU CAN TELL THAT HIS WAY OF THINKING IS MUCH MORE COMPLICATED THAN THE NORM
I THINK THAT YOU ONLY GOT MAD BECAUSE YOU CAN'T PREDICT WHAT SHE WILL DO,
LIKE THE WAY YOU CAN WITH OTHER PEOPLE, RIGHT ?
TAKERU
JUST LIKE A TOY THAT HAS BEEN TAKEN AWAY

AS LONG AS THE OTHER PERSON DO WHATEVER YOU WANT,
YOU DON'T CARE WHO IT IS. RIGHT?
IT'S ONLY TO TAKE AWAY THE LONELINESS OF BEING ABANDONED
SHUT UP
THAT GIRL...
IS NOT THE MOTHER WHO ABANDONED YOU

SO?
CHI!
WHAT DID YOU ACHIEVE BY MAKING ME ANGRY?
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……

AH,
TAKERU, WHERE'S RIKA?
STOP BOTH-ERING ME!

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RIKA!

RIKA?
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RIKA?
RIKA, WHAT HAP-PENED?
WHY IS TAKERU MAD?
BE-CAUSE
IT'S HER FAULT THAT HE DOESN'T HAVE THE HEART TO CARE FOR ME

I WILL THINK OF SOMETHING
I WON'T FORGIVE ANYONE...
WHO IS CAUSING YOU MISERY
ドクン
RIKA
PLEASE DON'T CRY
I...
I...
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"BUT ON THE INSIDE, HE UNDERSTANDS WHAT OTHERS ARE FEELING MAYBE EVEN MORE THAN YOU KNOW"
"HE UNDERSTANDS OTHER PEOPLE'S PAIN"
HOW SHOULD I SAY THIS?
IF YOU DON'T WANT TO LOSE A GOOD GUY LIKE HIM, THEN YOU BETTER WORK HARD
YEAH... IT'S PROBABLY AS YOU SAID
I'M PROBABLY .....
ATTRACTED TO TAKERU FOR THIS REASON ..

S-SORRY!
PEOPLE THESE DAYS ARE KINDA WEIRD LATELY
WHY AREN'T YOU SAYING ANYTHING!!
WHAT AM I DOING!?
AIYA! AIYA!
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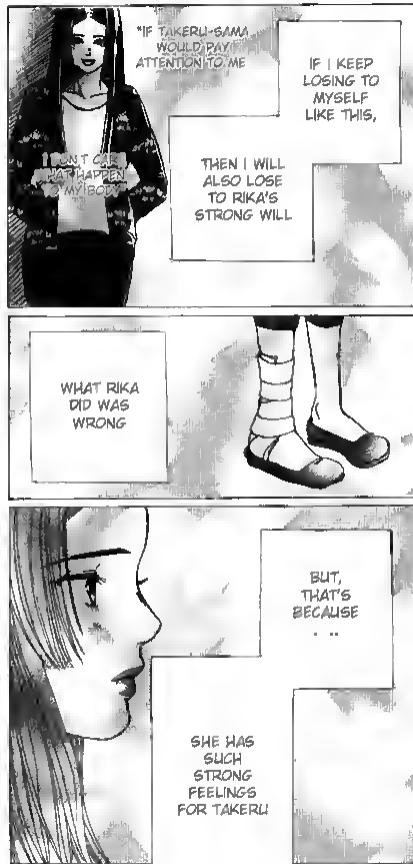
!?
THANK YOU, KAMIJOU
HE'S COMFORTING ME...
I KNOW
WHY ARE YOU TELLING ME THIS...?
OH RIGHT KAMIJOU, HARU IS A VERY NICE PERSON!
SHE'S REALLY PRETTY TOO

THAT'S RIGHT, ALSO FOR KAMIJOU,
I WILL NOT GIVE UP SO EASILY!
FORGET IT. I'M RETURNING TO THE GYM.
I SEE SORRY I'M BEING TOO NOSY
HAI
CAN YOU PLEASE DO YOUR JOB PROPERLY MANAGER?
BECAUSE
I STILL HAVEN'T TOLD TAKERU OF MY FEELINGS YET. .


"IF TAKERU-SAMA WOULD PAY ATTENTION TO ME
I DON'T CARE WHAT HAPPENS TO MY BODY
IF I KEEP LOSING TO MYSELF LIKE THIS,
THEN I WILL ALSO LOSE TO RIKA'S STRONG WILL
WHAT RIKA DID WAS WRONG
BUT, THAT'S BECAUSE . . .
SHE HAS SUCH STRONG FEELINGS FOR TAKERU

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I WON'T LOSE!
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SAITOU KAYANO, IS GOING TO END THIS ONCE AND FOR ALL!
MORNING KAYANO
MORNING EVERYONE !!!
WHAT'S GOING ON? SO LIVELY!
UWAH!
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WHAT'S WRONG?

I'M GOING!
HUH?
OH, BE CAREFUL
WHAT'S WRONG WITH HER?
ONCE AND FOR ALL...
DON'T TELL ME THAT SHE'S FIGHTING TILL THE END WITH THAT EVIL WOMAN?
DON'T YOU THINK, THAT SHE'S BECOMING MORE BRAVE EVERYDAY?
YOU'RE RIGHT NACCHAN...
KAYANO IS THE TYPE OF PERSON THAT WON'T BACK DOWN EVEN UNDER THE WORST OF SITUATIONS
BUT SHE IS GETTING SO LONELY BECAUSE KAYANO'S BECOMING INDEPENDENT
THAT'S SO LIKE YOU, HELP HIS KAYANO

ALL I CAN DO NOW
IS TO DELIVER MY FEELINGS
IN OTHER WORDS TELL HIM THAT I LIKE HIM
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WHAT SHOULD I DO? I'M GETTING MORE NERVOUS WITH EACH PASSING SECOND
MY WALK IS SUDDENLY BECOMING A RUN
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バクン
"LIKE"...
"I LIKE YOU."
"I REALLY LIKE YOU!"
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BAD LUCK!
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HEY— ARE YOU OK?
YES, I'M FINE!
WHY IS THERE A NOP IN THE MIDDLE OF THE HALLWAY?
LWAH!
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I HAVE TO BE BRAVE!
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FOR SOME REASON, I'M NOT AS CERTAIN
WAH, I JUST CAN'T SAY IT!
THE FALL FROM BEFORE BROKE MY DETERMINATION!
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CHICKEN! KAYANO THE COWARD!
D-mich!
WAH!!

TAKERU!!
SORRY
ARGH! WHAT COINCI-DENCE!!
AH!
I'M SORRY FOR YESTERDAY!
UH
W- WAIT, TAKERU!

ME, TOO.
I DON'T WANT YOU TO BOTHER ME EITHER

HE'S ANGRY AGAIN
HEY, HEY,
WHO MADE HIM ANGRY?
I

YOUHEI, STOP HIM BEFORE HE WRECKS THE CLASS-ROOM
HEY, YOUHEI?
...WHY ARE YOU SHAKING LIKE THIS?
ARE YOU ALRIGHT?
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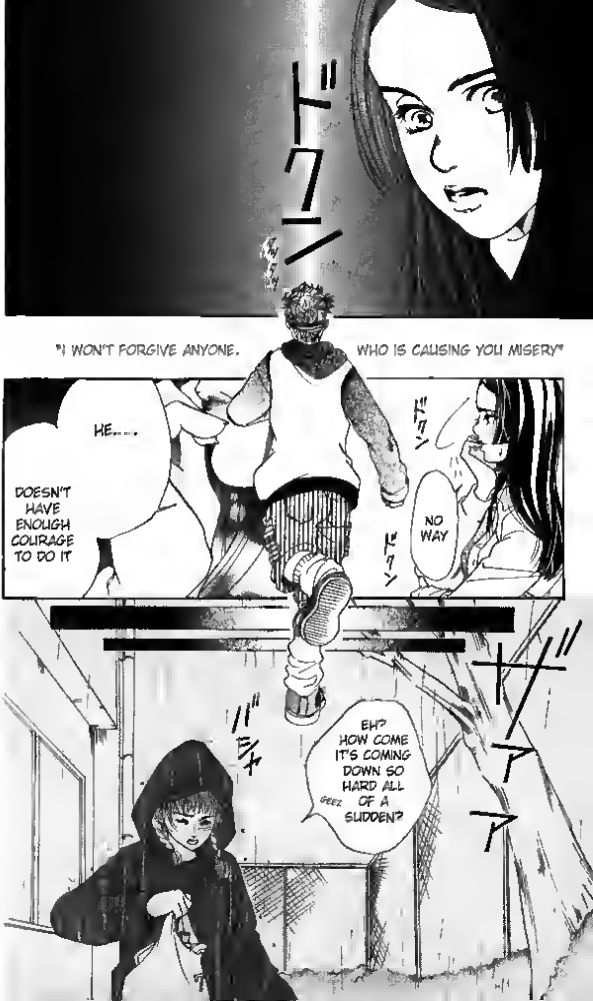
KAYANO!?
WHAT'S WRONG!?
DIDN'T YOU SAY YOU'RE GOING TO END IT ONCE AND FOR ALL?
WHAT ONCE AND FOR ALL?
HE WON'T EVEN LISTEN TO ME...
EH!?
SHE STRIPED
HM,
YOU ARE BEING SO OBVIOUS
YOU SHRUNK BACK TO CHIBI-KAYANO
GET BACK TO YOUR SEATS
CLASS IS STARTING!
WAH!
WE'LL TALK LATER KAYANO!
GIVE ME THE DETAILS THEN
STAND
HE'S STILL ANGRY...
I DESERVED IT I WAS TOO CONFIDENT OF MYSELF

I'VE SAID SUCH MEAN THINGS TO HIM
"I'M NOT YOUR TOY...!"
"I HAVE DECIDED I WILL NOT LET YOU AFFECT ME ANY LONGER!"
GOOD MORNING, SENSEI
BOW
GOOD MORNING
I DON'T WANT YOU TO BOTHER ME EITHER"
"ME TOO,
I WONDER IF IT'S TRUE,
THAT I HAVE BECOME SOMEONE HE DOESN'T WANT AROUND HIM ANYMORE?.

TAKERU
EDOGAWA
CAN YOU GO PICK UP SAITOU?
IT'S RAINING OUTSIDE AND SHE DIDN'T BRING AN UMBRELLA WHEN SHE WENT TO THE STORE
SIGH!!! WHERE ARE YOU THROWING IT?

FORGET ABOUT THE PAST, THE CURRENT MATURE ME
OK?
KAMIJOU, WHY DON'T YOU GO YOURSELF?
I'LL GO IF YOU WANT
EH?
REALLY? THEN I'LL LEAVE IT TO YOU
CAPTAIN
HOW DARE YOU IGNORE MY GOOD INTENTIONS!?
THIS GUY IS SO NOT CUTE!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"I WON'T FORGIVE ANYONE. WHO IS CAUSING YOU MISERY"
HE....
DOESN'T HAVE ENOUGH COURAGE TO DO IT
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NO WAY
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EH? HOW COME IT'S COMING DOWN SO HARD ALL OF A SUDDEN?
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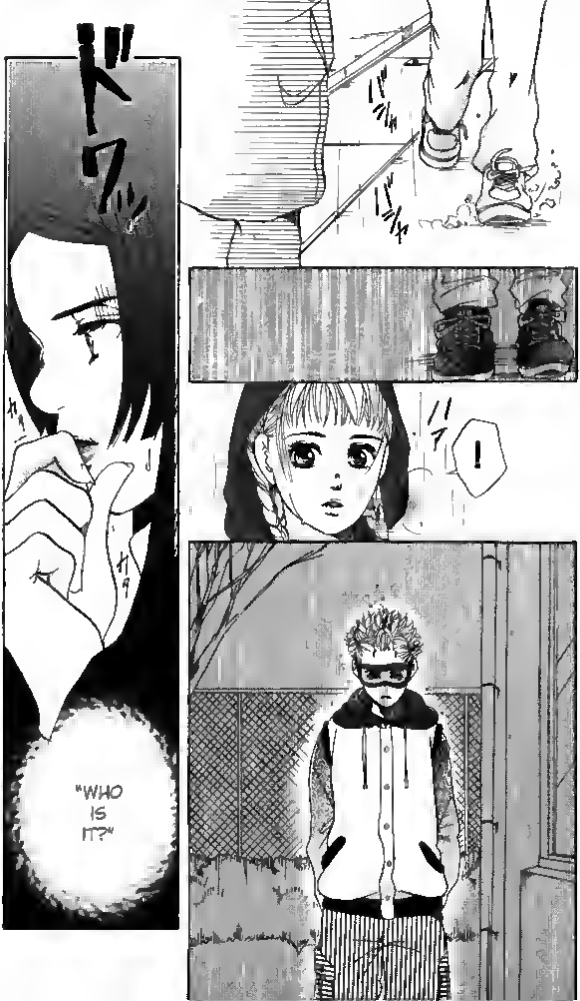
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"WHO IS IT?"
!

SHE SAID THAT I WAS CRUEL.
IT'S HER...
SAITOU KAYANO
SHE SAID I WAS WRONG
I DIDN'T DO ANYTHING WRONG!
I JUST LIKE TAKERU!
R- RIKA!
IF KAYANO WAS GONE,
WOULD YOU BE HAPPY?
WHO IS STANDING IN THE WAY OF YOUR HAPPINESS?

"WILL YOU SMILE FOR ME THEN?"
YOU'RE GOING TO CATCH A COLD
YOU!HEI? WHAT'S WRONG?
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YOU!HEI
WH-
WHAT'S WRONG !?
I HAVE TO MAKE YOU DISAPPEAR, KAYANO

IF YOU WERE TO DISAPPEAR,
THEN THERE WON'T BE ANYMORE PROBLEMS!

IF THIS CONTINUES,
THEN IT'LL BE TOO CRUEL FOR RIKA
SHE LIKES TAKERU VERY MUCH...

BUT SHE IS UNABLE TO DELIVER THAT FEELING TO HIM,
AND THAT'S BECAUSE IT'S ALL YOUR FAULT!

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WHAT ARE YOU DOING, RIKA!?
IT'S DANGER-OUS!
WATCH OUT!

QUICK... GO TO KAYANO, HURRY!
BECAUSE YOUHEI MIGHT...

UNABLE TO DELIVER SUCH FEELINGS...
THOSE PURE FEELINGS
IT'S ALL BECAUSE OF ME
THAT YOUHEI MIGHT...!
CAN SOMETIMES BECOME TAINTED...

TO AN EXTENT
THAT SOMEONE
MIGHT
GET HURT

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HE SAID HE WILL DO ANY-THING...
AT FIRST I THOUGHT HE WAS JUST TRYING TO COMFORT ME,
BUT I NEVER THOUGHT THAT HE MIGHT...
CALM DOWN!
I CAN'T UNDER-STAND WHAT YOU ARE TRYING TO SAY
UW
HEY, RIKA!
I...
I...
TOLD YOUHE!
THAT KAYANO IS INTERFERING WITH ME...
IF SHE IS NOT HERE....

"IF YOU WERE TO DIS-APPEAR, THEN THERE WON'T BE ANY-MORE PRO-BLEMS!"
YOU...
YOU LIKE!

WHAT ARE YOU SAYING?
YOU KNOW THAT
WHAT YOU ARE TRYING TO DO IS VERY STUPID
E..
EVEN IF IT'S STUPID...
I DON'T CARE, AS LONG AS IT MAKES RIKA HAPPY...
I...
I WILL DO ANYTHING FOR HER ..

YOUHEI
I DON'T BELIEVE THAT YOU CAN INTENTIONALLY HURT OTHER PEOPLE...
!
HE'S SHAKING ...
YOUHEI AND RIKA ARE BOTH INTROVERTS
NOT KNOWING
HOW TO LOVE A PERSON
I'M ALSO THE SAME...
ALL I EVER DO IS RUN AWAY AND HIDE
I... I CAN DO IT!
BUT...

NO! YOU CAN'T DO IT!!
IT'S NOT THE RIGHT WAY
YOUHE!
SACRIFICING YOURSELF FOR YOUR LOVED ONES... THIS WAY—
NO ONE WILL BE HAPPY
WHY CAN'T YOU AND RIKA
TAKE BETTER CARE OF YOURSELVES

WHY CAN'T YOU GUYS THINK OF YOUR OWN HAPPINESS?
NO
YOUR METHOD OF LOVING, IS TOO TRAGIC..
SHUT UP!
SHUT UP!!
KANYANO, YOU...
YOU WILL NEVER UNDERSTAND OUR FEELINGS!

BUT,
THERE IS NO WHERE YOU CAN HIDE WHEN YOU WANT TO FACE SOMEONE HEAD ON

TAKERU!

IF YOU ARE NOT SATISFIED WITH SOMETHING, THEN JUST TAKE IT OUT ON ME!
HEY
WAIT, TAKERU!!
WH...T WERE YOU THINKING !?
HE KNOWS WHAT HE DID WAS WRONG!
YOU!HE! KNOWS...
WHY
WHY ISN'T THERE A GOOD OUT-COME?
WH

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EH..?
NOT A GOOD OUTCOME? WHAT'S GOING ON...?

SINCE SHE IS PITIFUL
YOU WANT ME TO ACCEPT HER FEELINGS BECAUSE OF IT?

SHE LIKES YOU SO MUCH
YOU ARE THE ONLY ONE
WHO CAN MAKE RIKA HAPPY

RIKA..
IS VERY PITIFUL!

YOU ARE ALWAYS LIKE THIS
SO CALM AND COLLECTED
YOU'RE ALWAYS ACTING LIKE YOU'RE THE BIG LEADER!

TAKERU,
YOU CAN NEVER UNDERSTAND OTHER PEOPLE'S FEELINGS!
BECAUSE YOU'RE ALWAYS IN THE MIDST OF THE CROWD, ALWAYS BEING NEEDED
WAH!!
YOU HAVE EVERYTHING THAT ANYONE WOULD EVER WANT!

WHAT'S WRONG? YOU'RE WHINING LIKE A KID NOW?
!

TAKERU, STOP IT...
UWAH!
ARE YOU DONE YET, YOUHEI?

YOU
UMPH
WAH
AH
AH
AH
BAS-
TARD!
STOP IT!
BOTH
OF YOU!

WHY.. ?
STOP
I TOLD YOU TO STOP!
TAKERU!
"IT'S BECAUSE WE LIKE TAKERU
THAT'S WHY WE HANG OUT WITH HIM"
WHY ARE YOU GUYS HURTING EACH OTHER ....?

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WHAT THE!?
IT...
IT'S COLD!!

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YOU THINK VIOLENCE CAN SOLVE ANYTHING?

YOU WILL ONLY END UP RESENTING EACH OTHER!

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ドクン
"ME TOO, I DON'T WANT YOU TO BOTHER ME EITHER"
ドクン
THAT'S RIGHT, I'M STILL NOT ON GOOD TERMS WITH TAKERU

YOU!HE!
IF YOU TRY TO DO ANYTHING TO HER AGAIN
I WILL REALLY HATE YOU!
EH?
HEY, TAKERU !?

ME TOO, I WILL REALLY HATE YOU TOO!
WHY WHY NEXT TIME...?
WHY...
WHY...
WHY DID YOU FORGIVE ME?...
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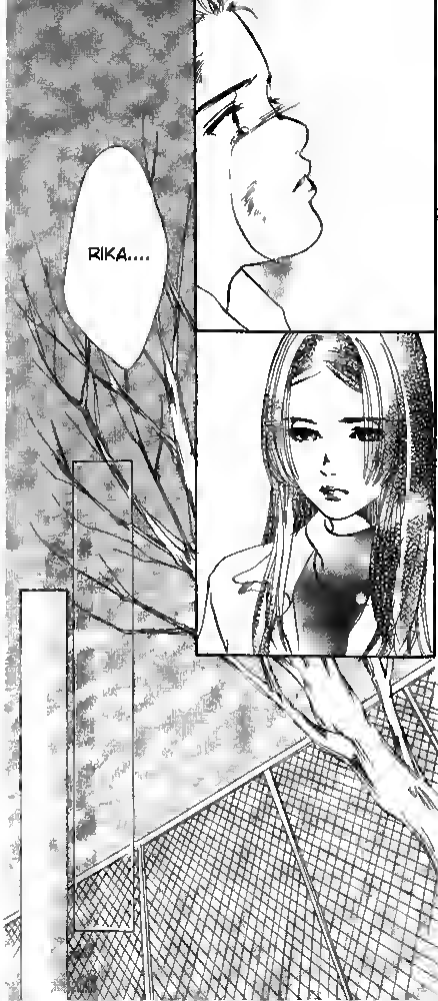

RIKA....

UWAH!
HEY—
WHAT'S GOING ON!?
TA
TAKERU!?
I'LL FALL!
TA-
TAKERU
HEY!
...!..
WHAT MONTH DO YOU THINK IT IS NOW!? IT'S NOVEMBER!
NOVEMBER!
I'M FREEZING TO DEATH!!
CAN'T YOU SEE WHAT I'M WEARING!?
YOU WANNA KILL ME!?
EH!

TA-
TAKERU,
WHERE ARE YOU GOING!?
HE'S STILL MAD
SOR...
SORRY BUT, NO MATTER WHAT...
I JUST DIDN'T WANT TO SEE YOU FIGHT WITH YOU!HE!...
I'M GOING TO CHANGE!
HMM... SORRY
I'M FREEZING!

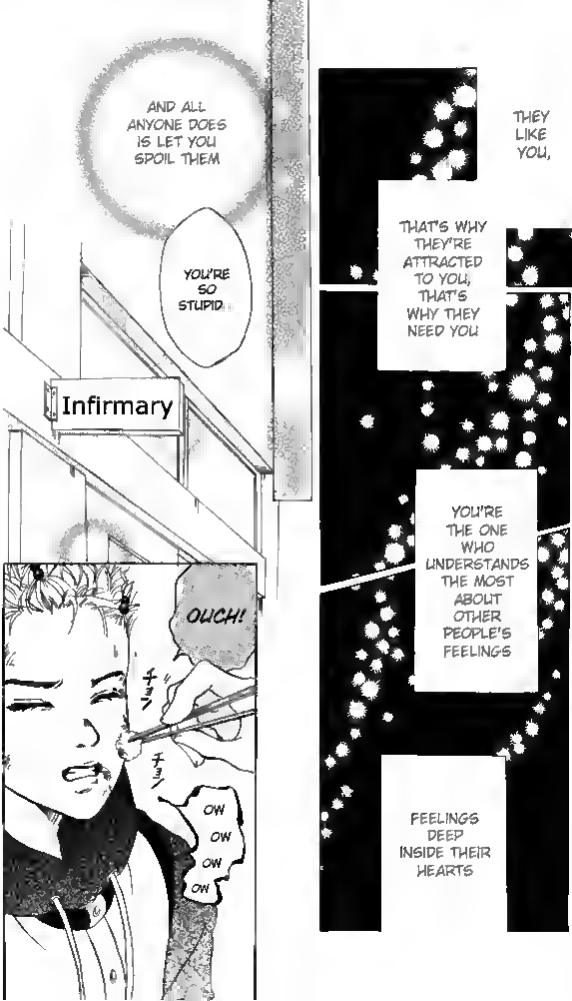
Boys Basketball Lounge
I BROUGHT SOME HOT COFFEE
ARE YOU OK?

UWAH! HE STILL SEEMS ANGRY!
わし
わし
ニカトー
HMM
TA
TAKERU, ARE YOU STILL MAD?
わし
わし
.....
NOT TALKING
Lwk
THANK GOD YOU WERE THERE
EH?
IF YOU HADN'T STOPPED ME
THEN IT'LL REALLY BE THE END FOR ME AND YOU!!

トク
I'M
REALLY
PISSED AT
MYSELF

"SO CALM AND COLLECTED
YOU'RE ALWAYS ACTING LIKE YOU'RE THE BIG LEADER!"
MAYBE IT'S NOT LIKE THAT ..
"FROM THIS, YOU CAN TELL THAT HIS WAY OF THINKING IS MUCH MORE COMPLICATED THAN THE NORM"
"IN OTHER WORDS IT'S VERY RARE SEEING PEOPLE HIS AGE BEING SO MATURE"
HE BORE THE HURT AND PAIN OF OTHER PEOPLE
AND STARTED TO BLAME HIMSELF AFTERWARDS- JUST LIKE THIS

MAYBE,
TAKERU
EVERYONE LIKES YOU VERY MUCH
TA
HE'S THE ONE WHO IS WORRIED THAT OTHER PEOPLE WON'T LIKE HIM


AND ALL ANYONE DOES IS LET YOU SPOIL THEM
YOU'RE SO STUPID
Infirmary
OUCH!
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OW
OW
OW
THEY LIKE YOU,
THAT'S WHY THEY'RE ATTRACTED TO YOU, THAT'S WHY THEY NEED YOU
YOU'RE THE ONE WHO UNDERSTANDS THE MOST ABOUT OTHER PEOPLE'S FEELINGS
FEELINGS DEEP INSIDE THEIR HEARTS

RI-RIKA, IT HURTS!
BEAR WITH IT, OK?
YOU'RE LUCKY TO END UP LIKE THIS AFTER BEING IN A FIGHT WITH TAKERU!
STOP SAYING THAT I'M STUPID!
THERE'S NO WAY YOU CAN BEAT HIM.
YOU'RE SO STUPID
IT'S OK! I'LL DO THIS MYSELF!
SINCE I'M STUPID ANYWAYS
BUT THEN AGAIN,
I'M AN IDIOT MYSELF

IN FACT
I'M REALLY AFRAID OF KAYANO...
AS FAR AS I CAN REMEMBER, THERE'S ALWAYS PEOPLE TALKING BEHIND MY BACK,
SAYING THAT I'M WEIRD AND STUFF...
BUT SAYING THEM RIGHT TO MY FACE, SHE'S THE FIRST...
"WHAT YOU ARE DOING IS WRONG!"
I HATE THOSE WHO ACTS SO SELF-RIGHTEOUS AND CONCERNED
RI...
RIKA...

"WHY DID YOU DO IT!?
DOING THINGS THAT WOULD HURT YOURSELF!"
BUT SHE
SHE WAS BEING SERIOUS
SHE WASN'T MY FRIEND OR ANYTHING,
BUT SHE SPOKE FROM HER HEART WHEN SHE YELLED AT ME...
ドクン
RI...
I FEEL LIKE I CAN NEVER MATCH UP WITH TAKERU
SO I WAS REALLY SCARED
WHEN I LOOK AT HER
I FEEL VERY UGLY

I KNOW
THAT TAKERU IS ATTRACTED TO KAYANO DUE TO THIS REASON
BECAUSE HE IS ALWAYS IN THE POSITION OF BEING NEEDED
I REALLY UNDER-STOOD ALL THIS,
BUT, I'M ALSO REALLY AFRAID TO ADMIT IT..
!

YOUHEI,
YOU'RE SO STUPID
RIKA,
YOU'RE VERY BEAUTIFUL
THE RAIN STOPPED,

AND THE FROZEN HEART IS ALREADY,
Boys Baske
.....
MELTING
LITTLE BY LITTLE,
EH!?
WHO LIKES ME?
EVERYONE? WHO ARE THEY?

UH, AND KAMIJOU TOO.
EH!?
AND ALSO YOUR FATHER MUST REALLY LOVE YOU!
UH...
WHO ELSE?
EH? I THOUGHT HE WAS DEPRESSED!?
AH?
THERE'S YOUHEI, RIK...
AND EVERYONE ELSE!
I'M NOT THAT HAPPY THOUGH
HMPH
H- HOW COME!?
SO YOU DON'T CARE ABOUT KAMIJOU OR YOUR FATHER THAT MUCH...
SOME-ONE WHO
REALLY LIKES ME
あっ?
THERE SHOULD BE ONE MORE PERSON

SOME-ONE,
WHO EMBRACED ME PASSION-ATELY JUST NOW
!!
ボボ
EH!?
STOP TALKING ABOUT IT LIKE THAT PLEASE!
カア
ブルッ
HE ALWAYS HAS THAT CAREFREE SMILE ON HIS FACE
I WONDER WHO IT IS?
IF THIS CON-TINUES
THEN, NOTHING WOULD HAVE CHANGED
ドキン
ドキン

HAI
I ALSO LIKE YOU,
TAKERU
PFT!
THIS IS THE FIRST TIME I'VE SEEN A PERSON CONFESS BY RAISING HER HAND!
AH!
YOU
HOW DARE YOU LAUGH SO LOUD!
HOW MEAN, I WAS BEING SERIOUS!

HE'S JUST TEASING ME!
ENOUGH!
I'M GOING BACK TO THE GYM!
DON'T BE MAD, KAYANO!
BECAUSE ... I'M REALLY HAPPY TO HEAR YOU SAY THAT

<< END OF VOLUME 2 >>

陽の

ショートストーリー

『七月』

ミザルキカザルイワザル
目を閉じ
口を閉じ
耳を塞いで
どれだけの後悔を
繰り返せば
ボクは
大人になれるんだ？

進むしかない
たとえ
希望なんて
なくても
闇に飲まれる
そのまえに
ピカ
光の射す処へ

ゴロゴロゴロ
ドォーン
あっぶな～い!!!
カミナリだぁ!!
ヘソをとられるぞっ
ガっ
ドォーン
どさくさまぎれで
何抱きついてんのよ!!
今日こそは!!
世界が終るそのまえにボクはキミのステディになりたい♡
完

あの人は美しき人
綺麗な瞳で僕を見て
紅い真実を暴きだす
九九.晩秋
mitsuba
Takaraisha

高梨みつばの傑作コミックス

天使のポケット

おひさまの花

微香ルート

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